

2611
#5
rs

PATENT
450101-03636

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

02-02-04

Applicants : Satoru MAEDA et al.

RECEIVED

Serial No. : 09/996,007

JAN 29 2004

Filed : November 28, 2001

Technology Center 2600

For : INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS AND
RECORDING MEDIUM

Art Unit : 2611

745 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10151
Tel. (212) 588-0800

I hereby certify that this correspondence
is being deposited with the United States
Postal Service as first class mail in an
envelope addressed to:
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 23, 2004

Bruno Polito, Reg. No. 38,580

Name of Applicant, Assignee or
Registered Representative

B. Polito

Signature

January 23, 2004

Date of Signature

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in
37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicants are filing this Information Disclosure
Statement and the accompanying form PTO-1449 along with copies of
the prior art therein identified. Such prior art has come to the
attention of applicants by being cited in a Search Report issued


in the corresponding European application on December 12, 2003.
So far as applicants are aware, this Information Disclosure
Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first
Office Action on the merits.

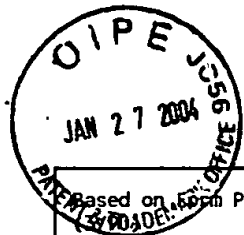
The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is
not an admission that the documents identified herein constitute
prior art to the present application.

Please charge any fees incurred by the filing of this
document or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-
0320.

Respectfully submitted,

FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP
Attorneys for Applicants

By: 
Bruno Polito
Reg. No. 38,580
Tel. (212) 588-0800



RECEIVED

JAN 29 2004

Based on Form PTO-1449

ATTY. DOCKET NO.
450101-03636SERIAL NO.
09/996,007

Technology Center 2000

LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT
(Use several sheets if necessary)APPLICANT
Satoru MAEDA et al.FILING DATE
November 28, 2001GROUP
2611

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	6 008 803	12/28/99	Rowe et al.			
	AB	6 133 912	10/17/00	Montero			
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO	
	AL	WO 00 28734	05/18/00	PCT				
	AM	WO 00 69175	11/16/00	PCT				
	AN							
	AO							
	AP							

OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AQ		
	AR		
	AS		

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.